

LITERACY TEST RETAINED.

KEPT IN IMMIGRATION MEASURE IN SIGHT OF WILSON'S OP. POSITION.

Amendment Modified to Meet Treaty Requirements Accepted — New Scheme Proposed to the President — Raker Has Plan.

Washington, Feb. 2.—Final action on the Burnett immigration bill was postponed again tonight, when the house adjourned, after voting down, 173 to 120, a motion of Representative Goldfogle of New York to eliminate the literacy test feature of the measure. It was on account of this provision that President Taft vetoed a similar measure passed by the last congress. During the day President Wilson let it be known that, while he would not make public his position on the literacy test until he was consulted by the committees of congress, those who asked him privately for his views found that he was opposed to the proposition because he did not believe it was a fair test of character.

Debate tomorrow will continue on an amendment offered by Representative Hays of California, which would exclude Mongolian, Malay and African immigrants.

A modification of this amendment introduced by Representative Lenroot of Wisconsin, adding the words "unless otherwise provided for by existing agreements as to passport or by treaties, conventions or agreements that may hereafter be entered into," was adopted just before adjournment by a vote of 111 to 90. With this change the proposed legislation would not affect Japanese immigration.

Most of the Pacific coast representatives voted for the modification, believing that it would be impossible to secure the passage of the original amendment.

Representative Raker of California voted against the amendment, stating that he had an understanding with the immigration committee, under which he was not to press the exclusion of Asiatics as a part of the Burnett bill on the condition that the committee later would report out his pending drastic Asiatic exclusion bill as a separate measure.

A new immigration plan which its author declares would conserve the material interests of the United States and at the same time satisfy all foreign governments by omitting racial references and discriminations, today was proposed to President Wilson and Secretary Bryan by Prof. Sydney L. Gulick, lecturer at the Imperial University of Japan.

Prof. Gulick tonight said that, at the president's request, he had submitted to him a detailed explanation of his proposed measure and had given drafts of it to Secretary Bryan and the senate immigration committee.

Prof. Gulick advocates the limitation of all immigration to 5 per cent annually of the number of foreigners already naturalized and their American-born children.

"This rate would allow all to enter this country who might come from north Europe," he says, "and would cut down immigration somewhat from south and east Europe and allow only a slight immigration from Asia."

The 5 per cent rate, he says, would admit no more aliens from any country than the United States properly can assimilate and the policy "would completely solve the Japanese problem, put America right with all Asia and maintain and deepen international friendship."

IN UNCLE SAM'S CLUTCHES.

R. Harrell Charged With Robbing Timmonsville Postoffice.

The following is taken from the Savannah Morning News of yesterday:

After he had been turned over to the Federal authorities by State officers by order of Judge Charlton, of the Superior Court, Rufus Harrell, alias John Elliott, charged with robbing the postoffice at Timmonsville, S. C., was remanded yesterday after a preliminary hearing before United States Commissioner J. C. Morcock.

The man was charged with burglary here. He was about to plead guilty, it is said, when it was discovered he was wanted by the Federal authorities.

The postoffice was robbed March 8 last. Only a small amount of money was obtained. Harrell will be taken to South Carolina for trial as soon as an officer comes for him. In the meantime he is in the Chatham county jail.

Licenses to marry have been issued to Mr. J. H. Wingate, Elliott, and Miss Minnie Brown, Oswego; Mr. J. F. McLeod, Jr., and Miss Annie Gallagher, Sumter; Mr. William D. Johnson and Miss Annie N. Plummer, Lynchburg; Mr. Jos. Jeffords and Miss Polly Williams, Brogdon.

The light house reservations on the great lakes are able to grow all the white cedar needed for spar buoys in their district.

IMMIGRANT BILL PASSES HOUSE

CONTAINS LITERACY TEST BUT NO PROHIBITION OF ASIATIC INFLUX.

Burnett and Manahan Exchange High Words, But Smooth Things Over Again by Apologies. Measure in Present Form Vetoed by Taft.

Washington, Feb. 4.—The Burnett immigration bill prescribing a literacy test for application for admission to the United States was passed by the house this afternoon, 241 to 126. All proposed amendments relating to the exclusion of Asiatic immigrants previously had been eliminated.

As the bill passed it provides that every immigrant admitted to the United States must be able to read, "the English language or some other language or dialect, including Hebrew or Yiddish." It prescribes the method of testing immigrants, providing that each applicant for admission must read a slip on which are printed between 30 and 40 words.

In its present form this measure passed the house and the senate in the last congress, but was vetoed by President Taft. A similar bill was vetoed during President Cleveland's second administration. The supporters of the bill are confident that it will again pass the senate, although President Wilson has let it be known that he does not approve the literacy test.

Opponents of the literacy test fought strenuously but on a last effort to eliminate the literacy test from the bill they were defeated, 140 to 239. The final vote came at the end of a day of vigorous debate, which at times threw the house into confusion, and on several occasions threatened to cause serious trouble.

Representative Burnett of Alabama in charge of the bill tried to hurry the debate along, and frequently moved to proceed and shut off the discussion. On one occasion Representative Manahan of Minnesota commented upon what he called "the unfairness with which this bill has been driven through," and the unfair statements of the chairman, Mr. Burnett, "in view of his fear and cowardice which he has shown in not daring to answer objections."

With a bound Representative Burnett was on his feet.

"That's a lie, Mr. Chairman, and the gentlemen knows it," he shouted. Amid a tumult of demands for points of order and general confusion, the chair finally called Representative Manahan to order. Another outburst occurred, in the course of which Representative Manahan withdrew the term coward. An exchange of apologies was finally brought about.

At another point in the debate the chairman and Representative Mann had a heated exchange, the latter declaring that "the chairman is disrespectful to the house."

CHICKEN FANCIERS ORGANIZE.

Central Carolina Fanciers' Association Formed with Dr. J. A. Mood President.

The Central Fanciers' Association was formed at a meeting held in the Chamber of Commerce hall on Monday evening. There was a good attendance present and much interest was displayed in the association and its purpose. As the organization is formed for the purpose of encouraging the breeding of better fowls, pigeons and all kinds of live stock, it was decided not to have it known as a poultry association, and the name mentioned above was selected, as designating the object of the association.

All of those elected as officers are well known chicken fanciers and interested in some kind of poultry, as well as the growth of live stock in the county. Officers chosen were: President, Dr. J. A. Mood; vice presidents, Dr. S. B. Mitchell, Dr. C. E. King, J. Frank Williams, A. P. Vinson, Jr., and A. M. Brogdon; superintendent of shows, Dr. H. A. Mood; assistant superintendent of shows, Geo. D. Shore; secretary of association, R. L. McLeod; treasurer, E. M. Hall; secretary to judges, Rev. J. P. Marion; superintendent's page, Julius Stubbs. The committees will be appointed later by the president.

It was decided to announce those on the committees at the next meeting of the association, which will be held on February 18th. The dues of the organization were fixed at \$2.00 a year. It is the aim of the association to join the National organization at an early date.

Plans for a show will be discussed at an early meeting, and it is probable that the show will be held in the fall.

The association hopes to encourage live stock breeding, and the raising of poultry and chickens to such an extent that the interest displayed will warrant the establishment of an experiment station here, which has been promised by Congressman Lever as soon as conditions are favorable for it.

COUNTY TEACHERS TO MEET.

Prof. Patterson Wardlaw to Be Chief Speaker Saturday.

Prof. Patterson Wardlaw of the University of South Carolina will be the principal speaker at the meeting of the Sumter County Teachers' Association on Saturday. The meeting will be called to order at noon at the Hampton school building and a good attendance of teachers is desired. As Prof. Wardlaw's lecture is expected to be a very interesting one, those of the public who care to do so are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

Another matter of interest which will probably come up at the meeting in the program for County School day. This program has been prepared and will probably be announced at the meeting.

Real Estate Transfers.

L. S. Vinson to W. D. Vinson, 2 lots in town of Rembert, \$1.00 and other considerations.

J. A. Spann to Booth-Boyle Live Stock Co., lot on Newberry street, \$103.15.

Preparing Paving Estimate.

City Manager Robertson is preparing his estimate and specifications for the paving of two blocks of liberty street, between Sumter and Harvin streets. This work has been ordered done by Council and will probably be commenced in the near future.

The farm work over the county is reported to be farther advanced than it has been at this season for a number of years, the good weather being favorable for farm work.

SUMTER COTTON MARKET.

Corrected Daily By Ernest Field Cotton Buyer.

Sumter, Feb. 5.
Good Middling 12 7-8.
Strict Middling 12 3-4.
Middling 12 5-8.
Strict Low Middling 12 1-4.
Low Middling 11 5-8.
Strict Good Ordinary 11 1-8.
Staple cotton 13 to 14.

New York Cotton Market.

New York, Feb. 5.

	Open	Close
Feb	12.19	12.00
Mar	12.25	12.15
May	12.01	11.84
July	11.96	11.81
Aug	11.76	11.60
Oct	11.48	11.41

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WE have had hundreds of Visitors at Our Big END OF SEASON SALE but there are still lots of good things left for the thrifty shopper. In this big sale we have pulled prices down to the bottom rung on our entire stock, and this means that everything in our store is on the bargain list.

Whether it is men's, women's or children's clothing, hats, shoes or underwear you need, come here and get it at a big saving. You might as well make a dollar do double duty if you can, and you certainly can at this sale.

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L. ALPERT,

13 N. Main St., Sumter, S. C.

Lima, Feb. 4.—The Peruvian army mutinied today, joining the rebels who have been besieging the capital. The Government was overthrown within an hour. President Billinghurst is held a prisoner.

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